



# Australian Microscopy and Microanalysis Society

## 2011 Annual General Meeting

Meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Room 236/8

Australian Centre for Microscopy & Microanalysis,  
The University of Sydney

**Start:** 1317 hs

**Finished:** 1456 hs

### 1. ATTENDANCE

Meeting declared open by the President of AMMS Tim White. Although there only 7 members attending to the meeting, the meeting was declared open according to Clause 13.2 of the Constitution states that "If a quorum is not present at the time scheduled for the commencement of a general meeting the meeting shall proceed but shall be limited to formal business". A full list of those present is available from the Secretary.

### 2. APOLOGIES

Colin Veitch, Mark Blackford, Peter Miller, Benjamin Wade, Angus Netting, Brendan Griffin

### 3. MINUTES

Motion: Minutes from the 2010 AGM be accepted

*Proposed: Jenny Wong-Leung*

*Seconded: Joanne Etheridge*

*Carried: unanimously*

#### 4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT. *(Tim White)*

Statements and discussions of note include:

- New Executive Committee formed (6 months old).
- Congratulated Flame Burgmann for successfully undertaking the production of the 2011 AMMS calendar.
- Congratulated Success AMAS-XI meeting held between 7-11 February 2011.
- Professor David Cockayne, FRS, sadly passed way on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2010;
  - AMMS sent flowers to Jean and children in Oxford;
  - Jin Zou attended David's funeral in Oxford;
  - Jean wrote back to AMMS on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011:

*Dear Tim and all of AMMS,*

*Our children and I would like to thank you all for your kindness and thoughtfulness in sending the magnificent spray of flowers following David death. It was wonderful for us receiving them at such a time and we were very touched. I know David would have been too.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Jean Cockayne*

- ACMM-22 will be held between 5-9 February 2012 in Perth (see section 6.4 for details)

#### 5. TREASURER'S REPORT. *(Andrew Christy)*

- The Treasurer summarised the Treasurer's Report, as presented in the March 2011 Newsletter, and presented the *Audited Financial Report* for the year up to September 2010.
- As noted in the Treasurer's report, there has been almost no activity from all special interest groups other than AMAS. Slow response from special interest groups delayed the AMMS audit due to the
- The motion was proposed to accept the *Audited Financial Report*. This motion was approved at the AGM, thus enabling lodgement of the Annual Return for 2009-2010.

**MOTION:** The members of the AMMS accept the Treasurer's Report.

*Proposed: Joanne Etheridge*

*Seconded: Jenny Wong-Leung*

*Carried: Unanimously*

#### 6. BUSINESS

##### **6.1 Future of Special interest Group *(Tim White and Andrew Christy)***

- A motion was formulated for proposal by John Fitz Gerald:  
*"That the AMMS provisionally dissolve its specialist sub-groups. Notice of this action is to be published in the September 2011 issue of the Australian Microscopy and Microanalysis Newsletter"*

*If a Special Interest Group makes no case for its continuation that is acceptable to the AMMS Executive, that group will be dissolved thirty days after the date of the newsletter distribution.”*

- It was recommended that the Motion to act on dissolving all inactive Special Interest Group be accepted.

**MOTION:** Action on dissolving all non-active Special Interest Group

*Proposed: Joanne Etheridge*

*Seconded: Jenny Wong-Leung*

*Carried: Unanimously*

### **6.2 David Cockayne’s Tributes (Tim White and on behalf of Flame Burgmann)**

It was scheduled in June that AMMS will publish a special newsletter for David Cockayne’s tributes. In the special newsletter, following items will be included

- Reminiscences from colleagues (due May 20)
- Sir Peter Hirsch address at David’s funeral
- James address (on behalf of Jean and family) at David’s funeral
- Reprints selected publication cover pages,
- Photos

### **6.3 Website Development (Tim White)**

To increase the attractiveness and utility of the society’s website, the Executive committee has decided to reshape the website. It is intended that automation of annual dues collection/reminders will become available.

### **6.4 Planning of ACMM22 (Tim White on behalf of Brendan Griffin)**

- ACMM-22 will be held between 5-9 February 2012 in Perth in conjunction with APMC-10 and ICONN-2012, co-chaired by Professors Brendan Griffin (the Secretary of International Federation of Microscopy Societies) and Lorenzo Faraone;
- Website is being updated;
- On-line registration to be expected from 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2011;
- Two plenary speakers have been identified:
  - “Cockayne lecture” plenary lecture is Professor Knut Urban, one of the pioneers in Cs-corrected microscopy and winner of the 2010 Wolff Prize (<http://www.er-c.org/centre/staff-gen/urban.htm>),
  - A Biomaterials plenary will be given by Professor Frank Caruso, one of the most cited materials scientists (<http://www.chemeng.unimelb.edu.au/people/staff/caruso.html>);
- A special session to tribute to David Cockayne: Jean Cockayne will be invited to attend the special session;
- ACMM-22 will consist of 3 themes (physical, biological and instrumentation), and each theme will consist of 3 focus (techniques, advances, applications).

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